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NICKEL-COATED FREE-STANDING SILICON CARBIDE STRUCTURE FOR SENSING FLUORO OR HALOGEN SPECIES IN SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING SYSTEMS, AND PROCESSES OF MAKING AND USING SAME			

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- pending reference application number 11/057,734 filed on 2/14/2005 (attorney docket no. 2771-546-DIV2), or
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